# Before and After School Program Coordination Request for Proposal BA-003 February 17, 2009

The Iowa Department of Education, Grimes State Office Building, 400 E 14<sup>th</sup> St, Des Moines, IA 50319, will be receiving proposals to provide coordination, support, and technical assistance to before and after school programs until 3:00 p.m. local Iowa time, Monday, March 16, 2009. Late proposals will not be considered.

For information regarding this notice, contact Issuing Officer:

Jeff Berger lowa Department of Education Grimes State Office Building 400 E 14<sup>th</sup> St Des Moines IA 50319

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# Section 1 Administrative Issues

- 1.1 Purpose. The Iowa Department of Education (DE) seeks a contractor/vendor to work with the Department on long-term planning and development of a statewide infrastructure to provide coordination, support, and technical assistance to before and after school programs.
- 1.2 Questions and Answers. Vendors are invited to submit written questions and/or requests for interpretations concerning this RFP BA-003 on or before 4:30 p.m. local lowa time, March 2, 2009. Oral questions will not be accepted, and verbal communications shall not override written/e-mail communications. The DE will prepare a written response via e-mail to all pertinent questions submitted by vendors by March 4, 2009.
- **1.3** Issuing Officer. All questions, letters of intent, and proposals should be submitted to:

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- 1.4 Letters of intent to apply. A letter indicating intent to apply must be received no later than 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, February 24, 2009. The letter may be delivered via electronic mail (e-mail), postal delivery, or hand delivery. The letter of intent to apply must include the vendor's name, mailing address, e-mail address, telephone number, and a statement of intent to apply. Submitting a letter of intent to apply is a mandatory condition to submit a proposal.
- **1.5** Submission of proposals. Proposals must be received at the DE no later than 3:00 p.m. local lowa time, Monday, March 16, 2009. Proposals may be submitted via electronic mail (e-mail), postal delivery, or hand delivery. A late proposal shall be returned to the vendor and will not be considered.
- **1.6** Proposal opening. Proposals will be opened on March 17, 2009. The proposals will remain confidential until the DE evaluation committee has reviewed all of the proposals, per Iowa Code Section 72.3.
- **1.7** Timeline

RFP Released to Targeted Small Businesses
RFP Released to General Public
Letters of Intent due to Department
Questions due to Department
Answers released to vendors filing letter of intent
Bid Proposals due to Department
Bid Proposals Opened and Scored
Notice of Intent to Award and Contract Negotiation

## Section 2 Service Requirements

- **2.1** Scope of work. The DE seeks applications to work with the Department of Education on long-term planning and development of a statewide infrastructure to provide coordination, support, research, training and technical assistance to before and after school programs. The before and after school programs to be assisted may include, but not be limited to, programs supported through House File 2679, 21<sup>st</sup> Century Infrastructure grants, and other programs supported through public and private funds
  - Amount to be contracted with the vendor is \$100,000
  - Time period of implementation is April 1, 2009, through March 31, 2010.
- **2.2** Eligible applicants. Per House File 2679, the eligible applicant "...shall be qualified to provide services in policy development, before and after school funding mechanisms, public and private partnerships, data collection, the promotion of quality, and working with various state and local interests."

#### Section 3 Content of Proposal

- **3.1** Instructions. The proposal shall include the following:
  - **3.1.1.1** Statements that demonstrate that the vendor understands and agrees with the terms and conditions of the Request for Proposals.
  - **3.1.1.2** A demonstration/description of the vendor's previous and ongoing experience in supporting before and after school programs.
  - 3.1.1.3 Description of the vendor's qualifications to complete the work. The vendor should describe how previous work experiences coincide with the requirements of this application. Included in this work should be a description of how the vendor has been engaged in similar work.
  - **3.1.1.4** Names and qualifications (resumes/vitas) of key staff members and/or contractors who will perform the duties.

## Section 4 Evaluation Steps

- **4.1** Evaluation criteria. The DE evaluation committee will evaluate all compliant proposals and make an award using the following criteria that are listed in no particular order:
  - 4.1.1 Total points to be earned=100 points
    - 4.1.1.1 Proven experience/track record of vendor in related initiatives=60 points
    - 4.1.1.2 Experience of key staff members and/or contractors=40 points
  - 4.1.2 Recommendations of evaluation committee. The final ranking and recommendation of the evaluation committee shall be presented to the Division Administrator, PK-12 Education for consideration.

## Section 5 Contract Terms and Conditions

- **5.1** Contract terms. The contract is attached in Appendix B.
- **5.2** Length of contract. It is anticipated that this contract will be for one year, depending upon funding continuation. Contract is anticipated to begin April 1, 2009, and terminate March 31, 2010.

## **Contract Terms and Conditions**

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OTHER CONDITIONS/REQUIREMENTS: Unless otherwise stipulated, the rates and requirements listed below shall apply:

Mileage reimbursement rate: 39 ¢ per mile.

Original Receipts: Must be submitted with a signed claim when the contract is with an individual. Receipts are required for the following: (Credit card receipts are not acceptable)

TRAVEL: Air coach, taxi fares, related parking fees and car rental.

LODGING: Reimbursement approved only for those residing outside the designated meeting site. Lodging must be outside contracting party's domicile.

OTHER: Registration fees and other items (as designated under "Associated Costs" section) require receipts unless specified otherwise.

<u>Itemized Invoice</u>: <u>An agency must submit an itemized invoice detailing the expenses allowed by the contract.</u>

#### ALL CLAIMS MUST BE FILED WITHIN 30 DAYS FOLLOWING THE CONTRACT SERVICE ENDING DATE.

TERMINATION: This contract may be terminated by either party upon ten- (10) days written notice.

NONTRANSFERENCE: Unless otherwise stipulated in this contract, the contracting party shall not transfer any interest in this contract without prior written approval from the Department of Education.

AMENDMENTS: Requests for an approval of amendments to this agreement must be mutually acceptable and in writing.

INDEMNIFICATION: The contracting party agrees jointly and severally to indemnify and hold the State, it successors and assigns harmless from and against all liability, loss, damage, or expense, including reasonable counsel fees, which the State shall incur by reason of the failure of the contracting party to perform fully and comply with the terms and obligations of this agreement.

AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS: This contract is subject to the anticipated availability of Federal and/or State funds under the program from which it is supported.

ASSURANCE: THE CONTRACTING PARTY, BY SIGNATURE AFFIXED BELOW, ASSURES THE DEPARTMENT THAT SAID CONTRACTING PARTY IS OPERATING IN COMPLIANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL STATUTES, RULES AND REGULATIONS. <u>INCLUDING CERTIFICATION THAT THE CONTRACTOR AND/OR ITS PRINCIPAL OFFICIALS ARE NOT SUSPENDED OR DISBARRED.</u>

REPRESENTATIONS: VERBAL OR WRITTEN, THAT MAY HAVE BEEN MADE PRIOR TO THE SIGNING OF THIS CONTRACT AND ARE NOT EXPRESSLY STATED IN THE TERMS OF THE CONTRACT, ARE NONBINDING, VOID AND OF NO EFFECT. NEITHER PARTY HAS RELIED ON SUCH PRIOR REPRESENTATIONS IN ENTERING INTO THIS CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT.

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Jeff Berger, Issuing Officer Iowa Department of Education Grimes State Office Building 400 E 14<sup>th</sup> Street Des Moines, IA 50319-0146

Re: Request for Proposal Number #BA-003 PROPOSAL CERTIFICATION

Dear Mr. Berger:

Sincerely

I certify that the contents of the proposal submitted on behalf of (Name of Vendor) in response to the Iowa Department of Education for Proposal Number BA-003 to provide coordination, support, and technical assistance to before and after school programs. I also certify that (Name of Vendor) has not made any knowingly false statements in its proposal.

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Re: Request for Proposal Number #BA-003

CERTIFICATION OF INDEPENDENCE AND NO CONFLICT OF

**INTEREST** 

Dear Mr. Berger:

By submitting a proposal in response to the Iowa Department of Education Request for Proposal Number BA-003 to provide coordination, support, and technical assistance to before and after school programs, the undersigned certifies the following:

- 1. The proposal has been developed independently, without consultation, communication or agreement with any employee or consultant to the Agency who has worked on the development of this RFP, or with any person serving as a member of the evaluation committee.
- 2. The proposal has been developed independently, without consultation, communication or agreement with any other vendor or parties for the purpose of restricting competition.
- 3. Unless otherwise required by law, the information found in the proposal has not been knowingly disclosed and will not be knowingly disclosed prior to the award of the contract, directly or indirectly, to any other vendor.
- 4. No attempt has been made or will be made by (Name of Vendor) to induce any other vendor to submit or not to submit a proposal for the purpose restricting competition.
- 5. No relationship exists or will exist during the contract period between (Name of Vendor) and the Agency that interferes with fair competition or as a conflict of interest.

5.	No relationship exists or will of (Name of Vendor) and the Ag as a conflict of interest.
Sincerely,	
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Date

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Re: Request for Proposal Number #BA-003

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND ELIGIBILITY, AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION

Dear Mr. Berger:

By submitting a proposal in response to the Iowa Department of Education's Request for Proposal Number #BA-003 to provide coordination, support, research, training, and technical assistance to before and after school programs, the undersigned certifies the

- 1. I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, (Name of Vendor) and all of its principals: (a) are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by a Federal Agency or agency; (b) have not within a three year period preceding this proposal been convicted of, or had a civil judgment rendered against them form commission of fraud, or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction, violation of antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property; (c) are not presently indicted for or other criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (federal, state, or local) with the commission of any of the offenses enumerated in (b) of this certification; and (d) have not within a three year period preceding this proposal had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause.
- 2. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which the Agency has relied upon when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the undersigned knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available, the Agency may pursue available remedies including suspension, debarment, or termination of the contract.

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Re: Request for Proposal Number #BA-003

**AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION** 

Dear Mr. Berger:

[name of vendor] hereby authorizes the Iowa Department of Education to obtain information regarding its performance on other contracts, agreements or other business arrangements, its business reputation, and any other matter pertinent to evaluation and the selection of a successful vendor in response to Request for Proposal Number #BA-003.

The vendor acknowledges that it may not agree with the information and opinions given by such person or entity in response to a reference request. The vendor acknowledges that the information and opinions given by such person or entity may hurt its chances to receive contract awards from the Agency or may otherwise hurt its reputation or operations. The vendor is willing to take that risk.

The vendor hereby releases, acquits and forever discharges the State of Iowa, the Agency, their officers, directors, employees and agents from any and all liability whatsoever, including all claims, demands and causes of action of every nature and kind affecting the undersigned that it may have or ever claim to have relating to information, data, opinions, and references obtained by the Agency in the evaluation and selection of a successful vendor in response to Request for Proposal Number #BA-003.

The vendor authorizes representatives of the Agency to contact any and all of the persons, entities, and references which are, directly or indirectly, listed, submitted, or referenced in the undersigned's proposal submitted in response to Request for Proposal Number #BA-003.

The vendor further authorizes any and all persons, entities to provide information, data, and opinions with regard to the undersigned's performance under any contract, agreement, or other business arrangement, the undersigned's ability to perform, the undersigned's business reputation, and any other matter pertinent to the evaluation of the undersigned. The undersigned hereby releases, acquits and forever discharges any such person or entity and their officers, directors, employees and agents from any and all liability whatsoever, including all claims, demands and causes of action of every nature and kind affecting the undersigned that it may have or ever claim to have relating to information, data, opinions, and references supplied to the Agency in the evaluation and selection of a successful vendor in response to Request for Proposal Number #BA-003.

A photocopy or facsimile of this signed Authorization is as valid as an original.				
Sincerely,				
Printed Name of Vendor Organization				
Name and Title of Authorized Representative	Date			